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U.S. ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY POLLUTION REPORT

I. HEADING

Date:

December 11, 1998

Subject:

Fairway Surplus Site

East Tawas, Michigan

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POLREP: POLREP # 4

II. BACKGROUND

SITE ID No: B563

Delivery Order No: 0010 (68-S5-98-02)

Latitude: W44°18'31.5"

Longitude: N83°33'22.8"

CERCLIS No: MID005326673

ERRS No: 28854

Response Authority: CERCLA

NPL Status: non-NPL

Start Date: 11/16/98

Completion Date: N/A

Reporting Period: December 4, to December 10, 1998

III. SITE DESCRIPTION

See Initial POLREP

IV. RESPONSE INFORMATION

A. Situation

1. Current situation:

The weather condition during the reported period was mostly sunny with temperatures ranging from 30°F to 48°F. ERRS continues to gather and stage containers, cylinders, drums, and tanks. The site has been divided into 38 sections, with each section composed of 1,000-ft².

2. Removal activities to date:

12/04/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. Sections D-4 and D-5 (approximately 2,000 ft²) have been

cleared of visible contamination. A total of 60 drums were sampled and logged for hazard-categorization. A gravel road with an approximate length of 250 feet was constructed from the command post to the drum staging/sampling area to assist with rolloff box delivery/retrieval, and the future disposal of partially full drums. Two rolloff boxes were delivered to site and 220 RCRA empty drums have been crushed and loaded into them.

12/05/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. Six drums were sampled and logged for hazard-categorization. The chemist was able to categorize 36 samples. ERRS began to clear sections E (1-5), D-1, D-2, and D-3 simultaneously. Progress on the previous sections is slow because the crews are diverting most of their manpower to the staging of empty and partially filled drums from throughout the site; in order to provide work for the hazard-categorization team. The two rolloff boxes continue to be filled with crushed empty drums.

12/06/98:

The EPA, START, and ERRS personnel did not perform work this Sunday.

12/07/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. The ERRS chemist was able to categorize 12 samples. ERRS continued to clear sections E (1-5), D-1, D-2, and D-3 simultaneously. Progress on the previous sections is accelerating as the majority of drums from throughout the site have been staged. The rolloff boxes have been filled with crushed empty drums and await disposal.

12/08/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. Forty-eight drums were sampled and logged for hazard-categorization. The ERRS chemist was able to complete final categorization of 64 samples. Section D-1 (approximately 1000ft²) has been cleared of visible contamination. Two additional rolloff boxes have been mobilized to site and are to be filled with empty crushed drums.

12/09/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. Twenty-four drums were sampled and logged for hazard-categorization. The ERRS chemist was able to categorize 37 samples. Section D-2 and D-3 (approximately 2,000ft²) have been cleared of visible contamination. Two rolloff boxes with a combined volume of 60 yds³, which contained empty crushed drums, were removed from site and sent to Waters Landfill for disposal.

12/10/98:

ERRS continued to stage empty drums, partially full drums/containers, tires, metal debris, and construction debris. The ERRS chemist was able to categorize 28 samples. Section E-1 (approximately 1000ft²) has been cleared of visible contamination.

3. Enforcement:

U. S. EPA continues to negotiate potential settlement options with identified PRPs.

B. Next Steps

ERRS will continue to collect and stage drums, tanks, and cylinders; stage used tires; remove hazardous material from deteriorated structures, which may be demolished, collect samples from containers, drums, and tanks, hazcat samples; arrange for disposal and transportation of hazardous material; and remove ACM throughout the site. START will conduct a radiological survey of the area and collect samples to be analyzed for radioactive nuclides in preparation for disposal.

C. Key Issues

The site is experiencing deteriorating weather conditions. Snowfall is expected to be heavy which will reduce the visibility of containers, cylinders, drums, and tanks scattered throughout the site. ERRS will attempt to address the problem by staging the drums, containers, and tires prior to any snowfall; removal activities will then begin inside the buildings after snow accumulates.

V. COSTS

Site Cost through 12/09/98:

Site Groups	Ceiling	Cost to Date	Remaining	Percent Remaining
ERRS (Earth Tech)	\$400,000.00	\$153,558.43	\$246,441.57	62%
START (E & E)	\$40,000.00	\$21,457.90	\$18,542.10	46%
U.S. EPA	\$45,000.00	\$16,557.30	\$28,442.70	63%
TOTAL	\$485,000.00	\$191,573.63	\$293,426.37	61%

The above accounting of expenditures is an estimate based on figures known to the OSC at the time this report was written. The OSC does not necessarily receive specific figures on final payments made to any contractor. Other financial data, which the OSC must rely upon, may not be entirely up to date. The cost accounting provided in this report does not necessarily represent an exact monetary figure, which the government may include in any claim for cost recovery.

VI. DISPOSITION OF WASTES

Date	Description	Quantity	Location	
12/9/98	Nonhazardous, RCRA-empty drums	30 yds ³	Waters Landfill	
	Crushed, drum carcasses		113755 Sherman Rd.	
			Frederic, MI	
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